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PATENT
(5298-08000/PM01040)

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**In re Application of:
Ramkumar**

Serial No. 10/074,884

Filed: February 13, 2002

For: SEMICONDUCTOR TOPOGRAPHY
INCLUDING A THIN OXIDE-NITRIDE
STACK AND METHOD FOR MAKING
THE SAME

Group Art Unit: 2826
Examiner: Erdem, Fazli.

Atty. Dkt. No. 5298-08000

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AMENDMENT: RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED JUNE 29, 2004

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313

Dear Sir/Madam:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed June 29, 2004 to further highlight reasons why the application is in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.